



Lassington Oak

Highnam Parish Council

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Minutes of a Meeting of Highnam Parish Council **held in The Old School on Tuesday 12 February 2019**

Present: Cllrs: M Welch, B Badham, C Coats, and V Tustin Smith

In Attendance: R Hicks (Clerk), Cllr P Awford, and 7 member of the public

Public Forum:

Comment was made concerning the state of roads in the village, in particular Lassington Lane and B4215. Q was asked whether something will be done to improve road markings at Lassington Reach, as vehicles continue to use roads incorrectly. Thanks were offered to PC for publicising problems in Farthing Croft. Q asked whether PC had made any further comment in relation to Planning Application 17/00324/OUT regarding change of use of land from agricultural to equestrian use.

1. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr Davies and Cllr Watkins – personal reasons

2. To approve Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 January 2019

The minutes were received by the Chairman and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

3. Members of the Council are invited to declare any interest they may have in the business set out below

None declared

4. To allow dispensations

Dispensations not required

5. To receive County Councillor's Report

Cllr Awford reported that County Council were holding a budget meeting 13 February, and Local Budget monies were being reinstated. Money has been allocated to carry out resurfacing of Lassington Lane in the Spring. Meeting has been held with Gigaclear to witness state of reinstatement of their works. A 24/7 contact is available for Gigaclear.

6. To receive District Councillor's Report

In Cllr Davies absence, Cllr Awford reported that TBC have some concern over the report rejecting the Oakridge appeal (16/00486/FUL) where their land supply was calculated at 3.99 years against the required 5 year minimum; they believe the calculation was erroneous. There is concern that a risk exists in challenging this figure of revisiting the decision, with the danger of a different result.

7. To receive Clerks Report -

Clerk reported on actions from January meeting: Thanks had been sent to Ian and Pete Humble for their work on the cycle path (A group of Sustrans volunteers are going to help finish off this work and refreshments will be paid for by Parish Council). Bellway are to check and correct the street lighting function on Lassington Reach. Complete Utilities claimed to have an order permitting them to close the Oakridge layby at the Recreation Park; this was not true, and an arrangement has now been agreed to open up some of the space for parking. Parish Council have offered £100 towards a gate at Lassington Lane end of footpath to Mary Grove to replace stile. Chairman and Clerk have a meeting with Glos Highways tomorrow to discuss various issues. Telephone call received from TBC Borough Solicitor to advise that TBC have engaged a Barrister to ask for a Judicial Review of Oakridge hearing findings that they only have a 3.99 year land supply, against required minimum of 5 years. TBC are adamant that they comply, and calculations were incorrect. Concerns expressed over possibility of reopening whole issue, which could lead to a different outcome. Clerk asked to write to TBC expressing Council concerns over this matter

8. Finance - to approve invoices for payment

Lloyds Bank a/c			Power	Amount
14 January 2019	Mainstream Digital	DD	12	£ 0.13
28 January 2019	Admin Costs	S/o	17	£ 418.82
12 February 2019	GPFA	L000082	23	£ 50.00
12 February 2019	SLCC	L000083	23	£ 106.00
12 February 2018	HCCT	L000084	19	£ 38.50

Invoices approved

9. To receive any update on HCCT Legal Issues

In Cllr Watkins absence, Chairman, as HCCT Trustee reported that a further legal bill of £840 had been received and paid for by HCCT; also solicitor had waived fees of £1800. Charity Commission is still making a decision regarding the normalisation of the legal position.

10. To receive update on Highnam Parish Plan Refresh and decide on forward action

Various reports have been circulated to Councillors, with a proposed implementation schedule. It was proposed Cllr Coats, seconded Cllr Tustin Smith that the plan be agreed; an addendum was proposed Cllr Welch, seconded Cllr Tustin Smith that Council start to seek quotations on first priority (Oakridge footpath), all in favour of addendum. All in favour of main proposal

11. To receive and comment on Planning Applications:

18/01286/FUL	18 Maidenhall. GL2 8DL	Single storey side and rear extension, and replacement front porch
19/00022/TPO	10, Barn Ground, GL2 8LJ	To clear dead & crossed branches, and remove branches near to house to previous reduction point allowing 2/3m clearance from house

There were no objections to either application

12. To receive an update on NDP Review

A group meeting has been arranged, and following Oakridge decision this ready to move forward.

13. B4215 Road Closure

The latest information available is that the whole program of works is being reviewed by Severn Trent and that no work will commence until the program has been reviewed by MP and presented to all local Councils; this is going to take some time.

14. To discuss and decide on suggestion to install CCTV signage

An offer has been received from Glos Ultra Vision to install CCTV signage at both ends of the village free of charge. After discussion the idea was agreed in principle, subject to approval by Council of positioning, wording and size of signs.- *Clerk to progress*

15. Bank Reconciliation

Bank Reconciliation January 2019			
Lloyds Account			
Bank Balance at 31 December 2018	£38,067.03	Payments January 2019	£697.95
		Outstanding Cheques	£195.00
Receipts January 2019	£0.00	Restricted funds	£13,040.15
		Available Balance	£24,152.73
		Bank Balance 31 January 2019	£37,369.08
		Petty Cash on hand	£18.80
		Total Balance	£37,387.88

Restricted Funds

Project Reserves	£4,496.07
Council Reserves	£7,555.21
NDP Reserves	£893.81
Fun Day Proceeds	£95.06
	<u>£13,040.15</u>

16. Residual Items

1. Report was made of traffic continuing to use wrong road to exit Lassington Reach
2. Question was asked whether Bellway Homes are required to reinstate Lassington Lane when construction is complete

Meeting closed at 8.13pm

Next meeting : 12 March 2019 at 7.30pm in the Old School Room

Signed_____

Date_____

